



Elvira Martha Althoff

August 11, 1919 - November 13, 2017

Mrs. Elvira Martha (Lampe) Althoff, a resident of Cairo since 1945, passed away Monday, November 13, 2017 at 4:55pm at the home of her daughter in Indianapolis, Indiana at the age of 98. She was born August 11, 1919 in St. Louis, the daughter of Henry William and Martha Helen (Mueller) Lampe.

Vera was preceded in death on Aug. 22, 1986 by her beloved husband, Erwin Edward Althoff who was born Sept. 22, 1906. They were married Nov. 3, 1945 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Murphysboro, IL.

Confirmed at Church of St. Cecilia in St. Louis, Vera was a longtime member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church of Olmsted and Immanuel Lutheran Church in Cairo and was active in LutherAnns. Other memberships include the American Legion Auxillary and the VFW Auxillary for over 55 years. During WWII she worked for Anheuser-Busch Munitions. She also worked for Brown Shoe Company and JC Penney Warehouses both in St. Louis, then in Cairo worked at McKesson Drug Company and Elias Family Center. She was an avid St. Louis Cardinals Fan, as well as an avid bridge, pinochle, and all around card player!

She was the beloved mother of Sharon (Richard) Peterson of Indianapolis and Charles Althoff of Cairo; beloved grandmother of Matthew Peterson, Lynn Peterson (Eric March), Anne Marie Peterson Turan (Jason), Cara Althoff

(Shane Pribble), Whitney E. Althoff, Corey E. Althoff (Julie Sharp) and 11 great grandchildren, sister-in-law Lillian Lampe, nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

In addition to her husband and parents, Vera was preceded in death by all of her siblings, Harry J. (Gladys) Lampe, Albert W. Lampe, Msgr. Irvin S. Lampe, Mildred R. (Leonard) Gildehaus, and George (Bertie) Lampe.

Visitation will be from 9:30-11:00 Friday, Nov. 17 at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Olmsted. The funeral will follow at 11:00am officiated by Pastor E. James Rivett. Burial will follow at Mound City National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Olmsted and will be accepted at the church.

Cemetery Details

Mound City National Cemetery

Mound City, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Elvira Martha Althoff*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Darla Womick lit a candle in memory of Elvira Martha Althoff*



Darla Womick - November 16, 2017 at 04:58 PM



Charles & Sharon your mom loved you both so dearly including her grand children & 13 great grand children! Our God is an awesome God & your mom is praising our Lord with your dad with all their siblings & friends in Glorious heaven eternal beautiful life!

Darla Womick - November 16, 2017 at 05:09 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elvira Martha Althoff.*



November 16, 2017 at 04:29 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Elvira Martha Althoff.*



November 16, 2017 at 04:29 PM



“ *Barry's Nashville purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of Elvira Martha Althoff.*



Barry's Nashville - November 15, 2017 at 02:35 PM



“ *Mrs. Althoff was one of the nicest & sweetest ladies I had the pleasure of knowing. She will be missed. Sharon & Charles you have my deepest sympathy. You were blessed with a great mom.*
Chari Willis



Chari Willis - November 15, 2017 at 12:21 AM



She is praising our God & Lord in heaven and meeting all her loved ones especially your dad and their friends! Our Lord Is an Awesome God! Prayers Always !

Darla Womick - November 16, 2017 at 04:49 PM

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“ Vera was such a fun lady. I loved to hear her laugh. She will be missed by all who were fortunate enough to know and love her. Luther Ann's will never be the same.
Sharon and Charles, thanks for sharing her with my family.
Archie, Sarah, and I love you. ❤️

Beth Pace - November 14, 2017 at 11:45 PM

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“ I will forever be lucky to call her my Grandma.

Anne Marie Peterson Turan - November 14, 2017 at 10:19 PM

JO

“ I had not met Mrs Althoff until 2 yrs ago but fell in love with her and her wit!!!. To all the family my prayers and thoughts go with you at this difficult time.

Joyce A Thomas Montgomery
Cape Girardeau

Joyce - November 14, 2017 at 05:52 PM